SCIBRS

PROBLEMS & SOLUTIONS

COMMON ERRORS

Many of the data quality control issues we see in SCIBRS are common to a large number of agencies. As new SPOCs/Alternate SPOCs, you have an opportunity to submit accurate data from "day one." By reviewing problems and solutions for quality control issues now, you may very well avoid corrections later.

SHOPLIFTING VICTIM

PROBLEM

In a Shoplifting incident, the victim is entered as:

INDIVIDUAL

SHOPLIFTING VICTIM

SOLUTION

Shoplifting is committed in a place of business. Enter the correct victim:

BUSINESS

ROBBERY VICTIM

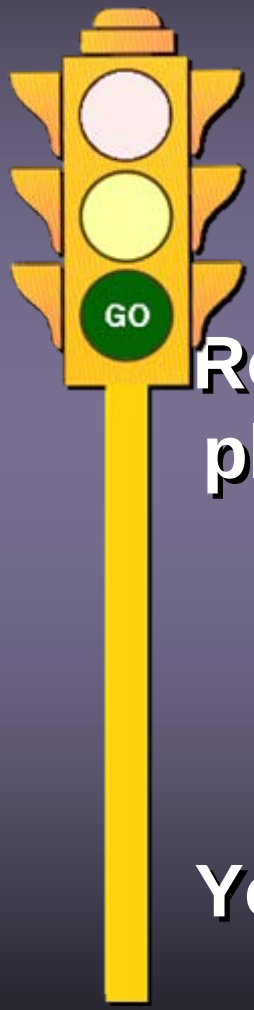
PROBLEM

In a Robbery incident the victim is submitted only as:

BUSINESS

(An individual is not entered)

ROBBERY VICTIM



SOLUTION

Robbery may or may not be committed to/in a place of business. But you must always have a person who is victimized in the robbery. Enter the correct victim(s):

INDIVIDUAL

You may still have a business as a victim, but you must have an individual.

INCEST VICTIM

PROBLEM

In an Incest incident, the victim to offender relationship is entered as something other than a family member. (ex. “Stranger” or “Unknown”)

INCEST VICTIM

SOLUTION

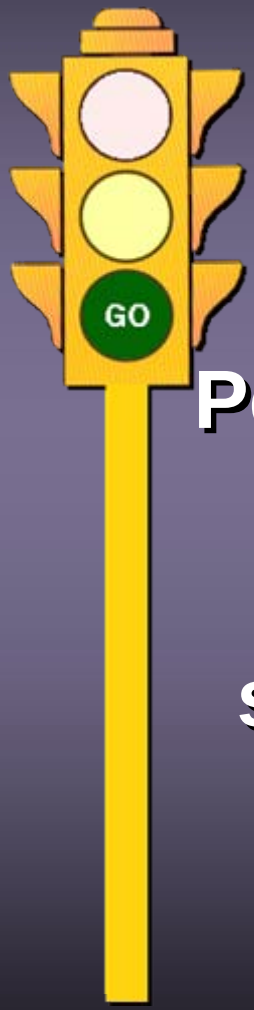
Review the incident report. If it is a family member, enter the correct relationship code. If it's not a family member, it's not Incest. In that case, you'll need to edit the incident to show the correct offense classification.

AGGRAVATED ASSAULT

PROBLEM

In an Aggravated Assault incident, there is no weapon involved and the victim suffers no injuries.

AGGRAVATED ASSAULT



SOLUTION

Per the SCIBRS definition of Aggravated Assault, a weapon must be used or displayed OR the victim must have suffered severe bodily injury. If not….. it's not an Aggravated Assault.

ALL OTHER LARCENY

PROBLEM

In an All Other Larceny incident, the property category is entered as a Structure. Is this possible? Well, yes… but it's unlikely.

ALL OTHER LARCENY

SOLUTION

Review the incident report and ensure that the appropriate property category was entered.

BIAS MOTIVATION

PROBLEM

The Bias Motivation in an incident is entered as "Unknown", which means it is a hate crime, but you're unsure of the appropriate bias motivation at this time. Again, possible, but unlikely.

BIAS MOTIVATION

SOLUTION

If there is no evidence that the incident was bias motivated, select:

“NONE”

LEOKA VICTIM DATA

PROBLEM

An officer is injured in the line of duty, which requires LEOKA information to be submitted to SCIBRS. The agency doesn't want the public to have access to their officer's personal information, so the age is submitted as "Unknown."

LEOKA VICTIM DATA

SOLUTION

Submit a reasonable age range for the officer.
What is reasonable?

25 to 30 is reasonable.

25 to 35 is somewhat reasonable.

25 to 50 is not reasonable.

Unknown is absolutely not reasonable.

AGGRAVATED ASSAULT/HOMICIDE CIRCUMSTANCES

PROBLEM

In a Kidnapping or Forcible Fondling offense, "Aggravated Assault/Homicide Circumstances" information is included in an agency's SCIBRS submission.

AGGRAVATED ASSAULT/HOMICIDE CIRCUMSTANCES

SOLUTION

This information should only be submitted for:

Aggravated Assault
and
Homicide offenses!

QUESTIONS?

THANK YOU!